CleanAtlantic

Tackling marine litter in the Atlantic Area

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The CleanAtlantic GOAL

CleanAtlantic aims to protect biodiversity and ecosystem services in the Atlantic Area by improving capabilities to monitor, prevent and remove macro marine litter. The project will also contribute to raise awareness and change attitudes among stakeholders and to improve marine litter managing systems.

CleanAtlantic WORKING STREAMS AND OUTPUTS

- Gathering data and knowledge on marine litter in the **Atlantic Area**
 - Report and interactive map on marine litter
 - Report and map of good practices and stakeholders
 - General overview of economic impacts: case studies and policy recommendations
- Supporting monitoring and data management
 - Interfaces and apps to store and analyse data
 - Improvement of monitoring methods
 - MSFD indicators for ingestion and entanglement and monitoring strategy
 - Study of impact of cotton buds and cigarette butts
 - Study on marine litter as NIS vector

Modelling and mapping of marine litter

- State of the art on marine litter models
- Marine litter transport modelling tool
- Maps of hotspots
- Maps of influence of ocean, river and land based sources
- Marine litter reduction scenarios

Tackling marine litter in collaboration with stakeholders

- Best practices for waste management on-board and in ports
- Fishing for litter protocols and case studies
- ALDFG (Abandoned, Lost, or Discarded Fishing Gears) removal protocols and case studies
- Best practices for beach litter clean-up for local authorities

Raising awareness about sources, impacts and solutions

- Awareness raising packages adapted to local actors and contexts
- Awareness raising actions in the 5 countries of the project

Partners































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Associated partners











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